CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1.   A method of managing short messages in a facsimile machine or a multifunctional device having a short message service, the method comprising:

setting up a call to a short message service (SMS) center;

receiving the SMS short messages from the short message service center, via a modem; and

printing the received SMS short messages.

2.   The method of claim 1, further comprising displaying the received SMS short messages on an operation panel before the printing.

3.   The method of claim 1, further comprising storing the received SMS short messages in a predetermined memory region according to a user selection or automatically before the printing.

4.   The method of claim 2, further comprising storing the displayed SMS short messages in a predetermined memory region according to a user selection or automatically before the printing.

5.   The method of claim 1, further comprising storing the printed SMS short messages in a predetermined memory region according to a user selection or automatically after the printing.

6.   The method of claim 2, further comprising storing the printed SMS short messages in a predetermined memory region according to a user selection or automatically after the printing.

7.   The method of claim 3, further comprising deleting the printed SMS short messages according to a user selection.

8.   The method of claim 4, further comprising deleting the printed SMS short messages according to a user selection.

9.   The method of claim 5, further comprising deleting the printed SMS short messages according to a user selection.

10.   The method of claim 6, further comprising deleting the printed SMS short messages according to a user selection.

11.   The method of claim 3, wherein the printing comprises:

determining whether to print the stored SMS short messages; and

if determined to print the stored SMS short messages, printing the stored SMS short messages.

12.   The method of claim 3, wherein the printing comprises:

determining whether to print the stored SMS short messages;

if determined to print the stored SMS short messages, displaying a list of the stored SMS short messages; and

printing the stored SMS short messages selected by a user from the displayed list of the SMS short messages.

13.   A method of managing short messages in a facsimile machine or a multifunctional device having a short message service, the method comprising:

setting up a call to a short message service (SMS) center;

receiving the SMS short messages from the short message service center, via a modem;

displaying the received SMS short messages on an operation panel;

storing the received SMS short messages in a predetermined memory region; and

printing the stored SMS short messages.

14.   The method of claim 13, wherein the printing comprises:

determining whether to print the stored SMS short messages; and

if determined to print the SMS short messages, printing the stored SMS short messages.

15.   The method of claim 13, wherein printing comprises:

determining whether to print the stored SMS short messages;

if determined to print the stored SMS short messages, displaying a list of the stored SMS short messages; and

printing short messages selected by a user from the displayed list of the SMS short messages.

16.   The method of claim 13, further comprising deleting the stored printed SMS short messages according to a user selection.

17.   The method of claim 14, further comprising deleting the stored printed SMS short messages according to a user selection.

18.   The method of claim 15, further comprising deleting the stored printed SMS short messages according to the user selection.

19.   A computer readable recording medium storing a program controlling a computer according to the method of claim 1.

20.   A computer readable recording medium storing a program controlling a computer according to the method of claim 13.

21.   A short message service (SMS) printing apparatus, comprising a programmed computer processor setting up a call to the SMS, receiving short messages from the SMS, and printing the received SMS short messages.

22.   The apparatus of claim 21, wherein the programmed computer processor provides the received SMS short messages, and allows selective storage, print, and deletion of the received SMS short messages via input commands.

23.   A short message service (SMS) printing apparatus, comprising:

an SMS interface receiving short messages from the SMS; and

a printer automatically printing the received SMS short messages.

24.   The apparatus of claim 23, further comprising:

a display unit displaying the received SMS short messages; and

an input unit receiving a user selection to print a displayed SMS short message by the printer.

25.   The apparatus of claim 24, wherein the display unit displays the SMS short messages in an ascending or a descending order, and the input unit sequentially receives the user selection to print the displayed SMS short messages.

26.   The apparatus of claim 24, further comprising:

a storage storing the received SMS short messages, wherein the input unit receives another user selection to delete the printed SMS short message from the storage.

27.   A printing device having a short message service (SMS) function, comprising:

a programmed computer processor setting up a call to an SMS center, receiving and storing SMS short messages from the SMS center, selectably providing the received SMS short messages, and printing the SMS messages according to a selection to allow managing the received SMS short messages in a document format.

28.   A method, comprising:

managing received short message service (SMS) short messages in a document format by selectively printing the received SMS messages.